

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

Docket No. 2006-01

**Re: Community Energy Inc. and Lempster Wind, L.L.C. Application for
Certificate of Site and Facility for the Lempster Mountain Wind Power Project,
Lempster, Sullivan County, New Hampshire.**

**Order and Notice of Public Informational Hearing
Pursuant to N.H.R.S.A. 162-H: 10**

It is hereby ORDERED that a public informational hearing of the Site Evaluation Committee for the State of New Hampshire shall be held on Monday, October 30, 2006, at 7 o'clock P.M. at the Goshen-Lempster Cooperative Elementary School, 29 School Road, Lempster, Sullivan County, New Hampshire, pursuant to N.H.R.S.A. 162-H:10.

The Application

The Site Evaluation Committee (Committee) received petitions from the Board of Selectmen for the Towns of Lempster, New Hampshire, and Washington, New Hampshire, and a petition containing the signatures of more than 100 registered voters from the Town of Lempster filed by Teresa Spada and Dorothy Hathaway, as well as additional correspondence, requesting the Committee to determine whether the proposal of Community Energy, Inc. and Lempster Wind, L.L.C., (collectively referred to as CEI) to construct a wind powered electric generation facility should require the issuance of a Certificate of Site and Facility pursuant to the provisions of New Hampshire Revised Statutes (R.S.A.) 162-H:1 *et. seq.*

On or about June 30, 2006, CEI filed a Motion for Jurisdiction and Condensed Procedural Schedule requesting that the Committee assert jurisdiction pursuant to R.S.A. 162-H:2. On July 6, 2006, the Committee voted to accept jurisdiction over the project. On August 28, 2006, CEI filed a formal Application for Certificate of Site and Facility (Application).

On October 2, 2006, at a public meeting, the Committee reviewed the Application and determined that it contained sufficient information to carry out the purposes of R.S.A. 162-H. The Committee voted to accept the Application.

Location of the Proposed Facility

The facility is proposed to be located on private property along the ridge line of Lempster Mountain in Lempster, Sullivan County, New Hampshire. The proposed site is bounded

on the north by the Goshen town line and Lempster Mountain Road to the south. The proposed site includes land identified by the Town of Lempster Tax Map as Map/Parcel: 6-132,000; 9-175,11; 8-530,094; 6-218,115; 6-034,044. Maps which specifically identify the location of the proposed facility have been filed with the Application and are available for public inspection at the office of the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Services, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, N.H. or at the Lempster Town Offices.

Nature of the Proposed Facility

The proposed facility is a wind powered electric generation facility designed for operation at 24 Megawatts (MW). The proposed facility will include twelve (12) Gamesa G87 wind turbine generator units each of which is rated at a capacity of 2.0 MW. Each turbine generator unit will contain a rotor measuring 285 feet in diameter, made up of three individual blades of 139 feet each in length; a nacelle that attaches to the rotor and contains a gearbox, low and high speed shafts, generator and other controls; and, a tubular structural steel tower, in four sections, with an approximate height of 255.9 feet. The gross weight of each turbine generator unit will be approximately 303 tons, including the rotor hub (38 tons), nacelle (65 tons) and tower (200 tons). The proposed facility also includes access roads, a metering station, and an interconnection point with the Public Service Company of New Hampshire 34.5 kV distribution line at the intersection of Bean Mountain Road and Nichols Road in Lempster. Further information about the nature of the proposed facility is contained in the Application and available for public inspection at the office of the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Services, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, N.H. or at the Lempster Town Offices.

Notice of Public Hearing and Possible Site Visit

Pursuant to R.S.A. 162-H:10,I, within thirty (30) days of acceptance of the Application the Committee shall hold at least one public informational hearing in the county in which the proposed facility is to be located. The hearing shall be for public information on the proposed facility with the Applicant presenting the information to the Committee and the public. The Committee may also consider the adoption of a further procedural schedule at the time of said hearing.

The Public Informational Hearing shall commence at 7 P.M. at the Goshen-Lempster Cooperative Elementary School, 29 School Road, Lempster, Sullivan County, N.H. The proceedings shall be recorded and members of the public will be permitted to submit questions and give public comment.

Prior to the Public Informational Hearing, at approximately 3 P.M., weather permitting, the members of the Committee may visit the proposed site.

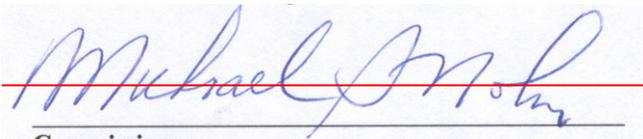
Public Inspection

The aforementioned Application and all other correspondence and public records regarding this matter are available for public inspection at the office of the Chairman of the Committee located at the Department of Environmental Services, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, N.H. and at the Lempster Town Offices. Portions of the Application and Docket in this matter may also be available at <http://nhsec.state.nh.us/current.htm>.

It is **FURTHER ORDERED**, that the Applicant shall publish a copy of this Order and Notice of Public Informational Hearing no later than October 15, 2006, in one or more newspapers having a regular circulation in Sullivan County. The applicant shall file an affidavit documenting publication on or before October 23, 2006.

By **ORDER** of the Site Evaluation Committee, this 6th day of October, 2006.

New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee



Commissioner



Michael P. Nolin, Chairman